

~~SECRET~~

From 161200B May 45
To 171200B May 45
Hq. 12th Army Group
APO 655
172300B May 1945

No. 346

G-3 REPORT

Maps: G.S.G.S. 4336 and 4249, 1:250,000
12 AG OUTLINE MAP 1:1,400,000
(Situation Map attached).

: SECRET :
:Auth: CG, 12th Army Group:
:Init: C.T.S. :
:Date: 17 May 1945 a :

1. FRONT LINE: See Map.

BOUNDARY CHANGE:

Boundary change between 12th Army Group and 6th Army Group: The present boundary between Seventh Army and First French Army became boundary between 12th Army Group and 6th Army Group 160001B.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See Map.

3. ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS.

6TH ARMY GROUP. (161200B). FIRST FRENCH ARMY. (Army Troops). 1st French Armored Division. (With 2d Choc Gp atchd). No change.

I French Corps and II French Corps. No change.

21 ARMY GROUP. (161200B). SECOND BRITISH ARMY. (Army Troops). 43d Division. No change.

XVIII US Airborne Corps. No change.

VIII British Corps. 5th British Division. Relieved from attachment and attached to XVIII US Airborne Corps effective 161200B. 11th Armored Division. Units of the 29th Armored Brigade moved to KAPPELN C5275. The 159th Brigade concentrated in the areas C2193 - C2296 and C3198. Front line change: C5275 and C3198. 15th Division. The 46th Brigade reverted to division command. The 44th Brigade concentrated in the area C4193 - C4885, the 46th Brigade in the areas N5539 - N5638 - C6241 and units of the 227th Brigade in the area N8340. Front line change: C4193 - C4885 and C6241 and N8340.

XII British Corps, XXX Corps and I British Corps. All no change.

FIRST CANADIAN ARMY. (Army Troops). 5th Canadian Armored Division and 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group. No change.

II Canadian Corps. 3d Canadian Division. (Less 8th Cdn Inf Bde). 7th Canadian Infantry Brigade moved to the area Q6456 - Q6431 where it concentrated and disarmed German troops. The 8th Canadian Infantry Brigade was attached to the 49th Division (I Cdn Corps). 4th Canadian Armored Division. Processed German troops within its division sector. 1st Polish Armored Division. Assumed the responsibility for processing an estimated 24,000 German troops.

I Canadian Corps. 49th Division. (With 1st Cdn Armd Bde and 8th Cdn Inf Bde atchd). 8th Canadian Infantry Brigade attached and relieved the 56th Brigade in the vicinity of WOLFENBEZE E6680.

AIR. (16 May). No operations.

4. WEATHER (Germany).

Precipitation: None. Clouds: None. Visibility: 3 - 5 miles at dawn, except locally in fog where limited to 1,000 yards, becoming 4 - 6 miles by 0900B and more than 6 miles by 1000B. Wind: Light and variable. Temperatures at WIESBADEN: Maximum 84° F. Minimum 52° F.

5. OUR OPERATIONS.

12TH ARMY GROUP. SEVENTH ARMY. XXI Corps. 86th Division. Relieved from attachment to XV Corps and attached to XXI Corps at 161600B.

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12065, Sec. 3-402
DOD Directive 5200.30, June 18, 1979
By JLG; L.C.; Date: 3-82

- 1 -
~~SECRET~~



G5701 S7 5000 144

346/1

VI and XV Corps. No change.

THIRD ARMY. (Army Troops). 474th Infantry (non-div). Cleared the army zone on 13 May. Enroute to LE HAVRE L4828.

III Corps. 4th Division. Commenced to relieve Seventh Army units in that portion of REGIERUNGS BEZIRKE OBERFRANKEN UND MITTELFRANKEN south of the boundary between Seventh and Third Armies. 99th Division. Relieved units of the Seventh Army in REGIERUNGS BEZIRKE MAINFRANKEN south of the boundary between the Seventh and Third Armies and assumed responsibility for the area.

XX Corps. 9th Division. The 47th and 60th Infantry Regiments closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of INGOLSTADT T7125.

XII Corps. 4th Armored Division. Commenced to be relieved in place by V Corps Artillery. 90th Division. The 359th Infantry Regiment closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of AMBERG O9802. 2d Cavalry Group. Commenced to be relieved in place by V Corps Artillery.

V Corps. Relieved of responsibility for border guard on the Czechoslovakian border along the corps rear boundary by XII Corps at 161000B. 97th Division. Commenced movement to the vicinity of MEMMELSDF O3153.

NINTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 2d Armored Division. No change.

VIII Corps. 87th Division. Assumed responsibility for LANDKREIS SCHLEIZ J8020, LANDKREIS ZIEGENRUCK J7235, LANDKREIS SAALFELD J5530, LANDKREIS PLAUEN K0520 and the western portions of LANDKREIS AUERBACH K2522 and LANDKREIS OELSINITZ K1905. 89th Division. Assumed responsibility for LANDKREIS RUDOLSTADT J4535, LANDKREIS ARNSTADT J2540 and LANDKREIS GOTHA J1060.

VII Corps. No change.

XIII Corps. The Corps Artillery relieved units of the 84th Division in the portion of LANDKREIS UELZEN Y0085 and LANDKREIS DARMENBERG Y3095 south of the boundary between 12th and 21 Army Groups and assumed responsibility for that area. 84th Division. Commenced to relieve the 35th Division. 102d Division. Relieved units of the 84th Division in LANDKREIS SALZGEDDEL Y3065 and LANDKREIS OSTERBURG Y6580 and assumed responsibility for that area. Relieved units of the 30th Division in LANDKREIS NEUHALDENSLEREN Y4010 and assumed responsibility for that area.

XIX Corps. 70th Division. Assumed responsibility for the area bounded by the north and east boundary of LANDKREIS SCHLUCHTERN N3095, boundary between Third and Ninth Armies, south boundary of LANDKREIS HANAU M8575, south boundary of STADTKREIS FRANKFURT M6868, south boundary LANDKREIS MAINTAUNUS M5070, south boundary STADTKREIS WIESBADEN M3565, boundary between Fifteenth and Ninth Armies, boundary between XVI and XIX Corps, north and east boundary of LANDKREIS BIEDENKOPF G5550, north and east boundary of LANDKREIS WETZLAR G5520, east boundary LANDKREIS USINGEN M5590, east boundary LANDKREIS OBERTHAUNUS M6080, north boundary of STADTKREIS FRANKFURT M6868, north boundary of LANDKREIS HANAU M8575 and north boundary of LANDKREIS GELNHAUSEN N1080. 78th Division. Assumed responsibility for the area bounded by the east and west boundary LANDKREIS MARBURG G7550, south boundary LANDKREIS FRANKENBERG G7575, boundary between XVI and XIX, boundary between VII and XIX Corps, boundary between VIII and XIX Corps, east, south and west boundary LANDKREIS FULDA H4015, west boundary LANDKREIS HUNTELD H4540, south boundary of LANDKREIS HERSFELD H4055 and south boundary of LANDKREIS ZIEGENHAIN H1055. XIX Corps Artillery assumed responsibility for LANDKREIS LAUTERBACH H1520, LANDKREIS ALSFELD H0030, LANDKREIS BUDINGEN M9595, LANDKREIS GIESSEN G8020 and LANDKREIS FRIEDBURG M7595.

XVI Corps. No change.

FIFTEENTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 66th Division. Units commenced movement to an assembly area in the vicinity of KOLN M4560.

XXIII and XXII Corps. No change.

346/2

6. CASUALTIES. (cumulative to 162400D).

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Missing</u>	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Total</u>
12th Army Group Battle	86,512	359,146	44,749	11,199	501,606
Non-battle					458,267
			Total Casualties		959,873

7. COMMAND POSTS: Changes during the day.

21 Army Group: 15th Division S6568.

12th Army Group: 29th Division GROEN R6008; 45th Division GRUNMAID Y8245;
83d Division ELD HANZBURG C9469; 87th Division SAALBG. J8319; 3d Armored Division
M6637; 14th Armored Division VELDEN Z3484.

Dist: "Z"

C. T. Schmitt
for A. FRANKLIN KIBLER, BMA
Brigadier General, G. S. C.
A. C. of S., G-3